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USAFSAM Releases Quotas for Applied Epidemiology



Funded TDY quotas for USAFSAM's new and approved Applied Epi course are available now through your training monitor and MAJCOM!

The Quota Distribution was:

USAFA - 1 USAFE - 2 AETC - 2 PACAF - 2 ACC - 13 AMC - 4 AFMC - 3 SPACECOM - 3

Applied Epidemiology Course Now Open to Public Health NCOs!

Your Schoolhouse is proud to announce this new educational offering for 7-level Public Health NCOs.

The course final exam is CDC's *Principles of Epidemiology* course exam. It's open book. Students will be given the last 4 hours of the course to complete it and will receive a completion **certificate from USAFSAM and CDC**. College credit from the Community College of the Air Force is also being sought.

Math skills required are very basic - even I can do it. The lessons provide the student with practical examples using real epidemics, and provide a teamwork setting for problem solving.

I only wish this was available to PH NCOs 20 years ago!

The curriculum also includes

- The "how-to" of descriptive and analytic epi
- Measures of frequency, central location, and dispersion
- Organizing data in charts, tables, and graphs
- Presenting data, including an Excel exercise
- Measures of association for case control and cohort studies
- Threats to study validity
- Surveillance data sources and analysis
- Deployment surveillance
- Outbreak investigation techniques
- Analysis of investigations conducted by CDC
- Reading and writing medical literature
- Screening for disease
- Questionnaire design and development
- Epi Info software
- Managed Care epidemiology
- Occupational/environmental epidemiology

Course quotas will be available through your unit training NCO and MAJCOM. Let them know you want to attend this new, exciting course.

Course Dates: 980413-980422

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The course director is Major Linda Bonnel at DSN 240-2058. Please call her if you have any questions.



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